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REMARKS

Claims 21-33 remain in the application with claims 21 and 31 being independent.

As requested by the Examiner, a timely filed Terminal Disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(c) is being filed herewith to overcome the rejection based on a nonsatutory double patenting ground which clearly states that the conflicting patent is owned with this application.

Accordingly, the application is now in condition for allowance, which allowance is respectfully solicited.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the Application, as amended, is now presented in condition for allowance, which allowance is respectfully solicited. Applicant believes that no fees are due, however, if any become required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account 08-2789. Further and favorable reconsideration of the outstanding Office Action is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted

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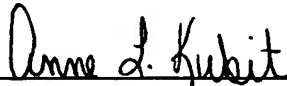
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I hereby certify that this **Amendment** for U.S. Serial No.: 10/784,412 filed February 23, 2004 is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 on **August 31, 2004**.



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